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ture should be addressed to the Democrat  
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## TO CORRESPONDENTS.

News correspondents of THE GAZETTE  
are positively prohibited from sending  
political puffs to this paper as news mat-  
ter. THE GAZETTE wants political news,  
but not political puffs.THERE will soon be commodious and  
comfortable hotel facilities in Fort Worth.BUT little is being said of it, but Fort  
Worth will soon be fifty miles further  
into the Panhandle with its railroad facili-  
ties.THERE is more railroad building and  
contemplated railroad building in North  
Texas than in any three states in the  
Union.McGREGOR instructed for Martin. Mc-  
Gregor is in McLennan county. Some-  
time since Gen. Ross' personal organ de-  
clared that every man, woman and child  
in McLennan was for Ross. How's this?WHILE the Waco boomers were run-  
ning a Dark-Lantern campaign over in  
Red River, Marion Martin slipped in and  
captured a section of McLennan. Sad,  
very, very, very sad. Funny, very, very,  
very funny.SINCE the receipt of the intelligence  
that McGregor, McLennan county, had  
instructed for Martin, the country has  
been watching eagerly for another great  
feat of acrobacy. Whenever the war-hoss  
becomes hurried he dops.A PARTY, under the direction of officers  
of the United States Geological survey,  
is about to make an extended exploration  
of Crater lake in National park. It will  
be necessary to lower them 1000 feet  
down the stony crags in order to reach  
water.THE wits of the Ross managers seem  
to have gone into a state of innocuous  
desuetude, else they never would have  
permitted that last attack of ex-Comptrol-  
ler Brown on Comptroler Swain.The country is growing very tired of  
hearing Brown bray.FORT WORTH, as a beef refrigerating  
center, would have immense odds over  
any other city in the state. Beef is one  
product that can be manufactured with  
great profit here, and all energy should  
be used to secure the success of our  
refrigerating schemes.THE vote which Gov. Ireland cast in  
the Travis county primaries is attracting  
considerable attention in the press, and  
the question is asked, has he abandoned  
citizenship in Guadalupe? This seems  
superfluous, as no one but a stalwart Re-  
publican would accuse his excellency of  
a purpose to poll two votes in one elec-  
tion. The governor administers a just  
rebuke to the Magwumps of Guadalupe  
who came so near giving the county to  
Wash Jones in 1882.THE San Antonio Light, Republican,  
says: "The Knights of Labor have put  
the Democracy in a sweat-box and pro-  
pose keeping them there." Here is a  
crust of comfort for the Dark-Lantern-  
ers, and THE GAZETTE is determined  
they shall have the benefit of it. It will  
please the men who have been hungering  
and thirsting after office for so many  
years to hear even a Republican newspa-  
per say that they have Democracy "in a  
sweat-box."Mr. W. M. Brown's vociferous attack  
on Col. Swain, simmered down, simply  
amounts to a charge that the comptroler  
directed his warrant clerk to overpay his  
son to the amount of five dollars. This  
is the same Mr. Brown, we believe, who  
swore as a witness in the case of the  
State vs. ex-Comptroler W. M. Brown, to  
recover a deficiency of \$6000, that, when  
comptroler, he had nothing to do with the  
money which passed through the de-  
partment, and that his chief clerk man-  
aged its finances. The general public  
inclines very strongly to the opinion that  
Brown is talking gobbledygosh.Mr. Brown, who was comptroler, and  
whose bondsmen are out \$6000, is out in  
another anti-Swain screed of three good  
columns in the Galveston News. Life is  
too short and the sun too hot for THE  
GAZETTE to inflict its readers with a re-  
publication. The Galveston paper was,  
of course, forced to read the trade, and  
this is the comment made by that paper  
thereon: "Ex-Comptroler Brown takes  
another lunge at Comptroler Swain this  
morning. Mr. Brown's present docu-  
ment is largely a rehash of his former  
performance. There is not much in it.  
In fact, Mr. Brown's publications are on  
the whole flattering to Col. Swain. Ac-  
cording to Mr. Brown's own account he  
has raked the record with a fine-toothed  
comb, and yet all he can find that he con-  
sidered derogatory to Swain's adminis-  
tration of the comptroler's office, is that  
Swain's sons were given odd jobs of  
work in the office. Did Mr. Brown find  
out whether the Swain boys did their  
work well or not? If they did, that is an  
end of it. If Mr. Brown keeps on, it is  
barely possible that a suspicion will be  
engendered that he is disgruntled."

## RANDALL'S EVASION.

Mr. Randall makes the point in support  
of his tariff bill, that the "reduction of  
taxation" which the Democratic national  
convention pledged itself to secure re-  
ferred to a reduction of internal revenue  
tax; therefore, in proposing to do away  
with \$25,000,000 of the tax on whisky and  
tobacco he is carrying out the promises  
of the Democratic platform. He sustains  
himself in this position by quoting from  
the platform this sentence: "We de-  
nounce the Republican party for having  
failed to relieve the people from crushing  
war taxes." The internal-revenue tax is  
a war tax, and this must have been what  
the Democrats meant when they promised  
a reduction of taxation, says Mr. Randall.  
But every sensible man knows that this  
is absurd. Nobody has understood that  
the Democratic platform offered to repeal  
the internal-revenue taxes. On the con-  
trary, they were pledged to the payment  
of pensions and other expenses growing  
out of the war. The promise was ex-  
plicitly made to "revise the tariff in a  
spirit of fairness to all interests," and to  
reduce taxation—tariff taxation, of  
course—to such a point as that the re-  
ceipts therefrom would only cover the ex-  
penses of the government, honestly ad-  
ministered. Any other construction put  
upon the tariff plank of the platform is  
known to be false. Randall himself  
knows it to be false, but he uses the  
miserable subterfuge that he does, be-  
cause there is nothing else to be said in  
support of his bill.

## THE PENSION HUMBUG.

A disgraceful admission of disreputable  
practice is made by the house committee  
on invalid pensions. It is proposed, so  
the news reports say, to consider the  
president's veto messages concerning cer-  
tain pension bills, "and to select the  
strongest and most meritorious cases and  
make an attempt to pass the bills over his  
vetoes."That means, then, that some of the bills  
are not meritorious, and cannot be passed  
over the president's vetoes. If such is  
the case, why were they passed in the  
first place? The same information that  
led the president to veto the bills was ac-  
cessible to the congressmen who voted  
for them. Now these congressmen  
tacitly confess that some of the pension  
cases were not meritorious, and such are  
to be dropped, and those that are thought  
to make the best showing are to be  
pushed to a vote over the veto. If they  
were not deserving of a favorable vote,  
why were these bills passed? And if they  
were so deserving, why are they now  
dropped, with the exception of only a few  
that are to be pushed?Voting away the people's money is a  
very serious matter, which honorable  
congressmen regard as trivial, as long as  
it catches votes for them. It is so now  
that any man who can make out an ex-  
pense case of having had the least hurt  
while in the army is put on the pension  
rolls and supported by the government.Pension Commissioner Dudley declared  
that fully one-third of the men now get-  
ting on the rolls are frauds and undeserv-  
ing of government aid. Why are not  
these frauds detected and exposed by  
congressmen or the pension service?We have now a president who is not a  
demagogue, and is not afraid to take a  
stand against these comorants and hum-  
bugs. We will see if congress is weak  
and pusillanimous enough to override his  
vetoes at the threat of the pension agents  
and fraudulent applicants.

## THE PEOPLE'S FORUM.

Shameful Debauchery.

FORT WORTH, TEX., June 29.—Editor  
GAZETTE: When night shall have drawn  
her sable curtains over earth, man walks  
forth with that alluring and damning  
spirit, and to-morrow morning steps out  
into respectable society. However much  
to be lamented, nevertheless such are the  
stubborn facts presenting themselves  
every day and every night, particularly in  
the northern part of the city, which lo-  
cality has received the very appropriate  
cognomen of "Hell's Half Acre No. 2,"  
but the scenes enacted here would put to  
blush those of No. 1.These truths and these assertions not  
only deserve, but they emphatically de-  
mand, the unqualified disapproval of every  
honorable and respectable man and  
woman in the city, and the strong arm  
of the law to suppress the violations daily  
and nightly committed against the laws  
of the state, of morality and decency.  
Can or do the authorities in extension of  
their slothfulness to execute their  
sworn duty, and to mete out that justice  
to which we are all entitled under the  
law, plain ignorance of these potent and  
obvious truths? No, if they are not cog-  
nizant of such open and high-handed vi-  
olations of the laws as referred to here,  
they alone are responsible for that igno-  
rance, and there is a doubtful possibility  
or even a probability that they will be  
their own successors in office. With rest  
and sleep disturbed at night, the holy  
Sabbath day deprived of that peace and  
quietude which should reign supreme  
around and in each and every home, dis-  
turbed and robbed, I say, by the vile and  
wicked vituperations of ungodly men and  
women, it subjects only for the portals  
of the devil himself; it is strange that  
with one voice and as one man we are  
ready to exclaim (and with emphasis,  
too) that forbearance has ceased to be a  
virtue! I but reflect the voice, feeling  
and sentiment of our whole community  
when I appeal to the public journals and  
pulpits of the city to espouse and advo-  
cate our righteous cause, and to use  
their influence and power for the suppres-  
sion of this great and growing evil, and  
through the interposition of the law the  
removing from our midst these houses of  
debauchery and prostitution, the very  
pandemonium of hell itself, and the  
greatest curse and nuisance ever entailed  
upon a peaceful and respectable com-  
munity.

## A Good Field for Capital.

FORT WORTH, TEX., June 30, 1886.—  
Editor GAZETTE: If you will allow me a  
little space in your valuable paper I will  
lay before the live business men of this  
city a project that will be of untold ad-  
vantage to the young giant city; something  
that will not waste the good and lib-  
eral-hearted citizens by heavy contribu-  
tions. The cost of the project in view  
would be a trifle compared with the ad-  
vantages to the future prosperity of this  
city. It is nothing more than drilling a  
well into the bowels of Mother Earth to  
let her contribute the natural gas now  
hid by a few hundred feet of earth and  
rock. Tap this vein of gas and utilize it  
for cheap fuel for manufactories, which  
you will agree with me are indispensable  
to the future prosperity of our city. It is  
now demonstrated beyond a doubt that  
there are untold and unmeasured quanti-  
ties of natural gas hidden under Texas  
soil. I just this morning returned from  
inspecting a gas well on the ranch of  
Gen. Lee Dalton in Palo Pinto county,  
only about seventy-five miles west of  
this city, and can say from my experience  
of fifteen years, operating for oil in the  
fields of Pennsylvania, West Virginia and  
California, that I am satisfied in my own  
mind that there is gas enough in that well  
alone to light this city. The gas in the  
above well was struck at a depth of about  
380 feet, but I would not expect to strike a  
heavy flow of gas here at so shallow a depth,  
with what little knowledge I have of the ge-  
ological formation in this part of the state.  
I base my knowledge on facts gained  
while drilling water wells in this and ad-  
joining counties. This is my first en-  
deavor to lay my views before the public  
through the medium of the press. I  
hope the business public will weigh this  
matter in a business manner, and let  
Fort Worth be the first city in the South-  
west to utilize the treasure of natural  
gas now in store for her.

JOHN E. OSBORNE.

## LOUISIANA IS HEIR.

Estate of the Leader of Demi-Monde of  
New Orleans Claimed by the State.  
Special to the Gazette.NEW ORLEANS, La., June 30.—The  
district court has finally decided the cele-  
brated Kate Townsend case in favor of  
the state, declaring it the only heir of the  
ill-gotten fortune of that notorious cour-  
tesan, the undisputed queen of the New  
Orleans demi-monde. Kate was murdered  
nearly two years ago by Troviseville Sykes,  
whose mistress she was supposed to be.  
He proved himself to have been her hus-  
band for twenty years, and showed her  
will in his favor. After he  
was acquitted of her murder, he prosecuted  
his claim to her large estate, valued at a  
quarter of a million. Fearing an adverse  
decision, he seized all the jewelry, worth  
\$50,000, and fled to Mississippi, outside  
of the jurisdiction of the court, where he  
has been ever since. Three parties  
claimed the property—Sykes, a Califor-  
nia woman named Tally, who claimed to  
be a sister of the deceased, and the state  
of Louisiana, which claimed the estate  
on the ground that the deceased left no  
heirs. The decision to-day sustains this  
view. Sykes, having murdered Kate  
Townsend, could not be her heir, the  
court said, while the Tally woman failed  
to show her relationship. Much of the  
property has been made away with by  
Sykes or swallowed up in court charges,  
but even with this loss the state will  
come in for a handsome sum acquired  
altogether through prostitution.

## SAYS HE'S A FORT WORTHITE.

A Honry Grove Negro Beaten Out of a  
Good-Sized Fortune.  
Special to the Gazette.FORT SPRING, ARK., June 30.—Chief  
of Police A. P. Davis arrested Sam Higgins  
here to-day on a charge of fleeing Hiley  
Whitlaw, a well-to-do farmer of Honey  
Grove, Tex., of eight thousand  
dollars, by means of the three-card  
monte trick. Higgins' partner, James  
Richardson, who also had a hand in the  
game, has disappeared with half of the  
money, but telegrams have been sent to  
officers along the line of railroad to look  
out for him. All the parties are colored.  
The principal, Sam Higgins, is a mulatto,  
and hails from Fort Worth, Tex. He  
has papers showing that he has been a  
deputy sheriff and deputy United States  
marshal at Fort Worth. He says he is  
now acting as detective and had just  
come here for his health. He was placed  
in jail to await trial.**RED STAR**  
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from making or selling a preparation  
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## LOST.

LOST—One double-nose pointer pup, about  
six weeks old, white, with liver-colored  
ears, and liver-colored spot on one side. Finder  
will return to Coleman & Co., corner First and  
Main street, and receive reward.LOST—Monday evening, a gold star with the  
initials M. H. The finder will be rewarded  
by leaving same at First National bank.STRAYED—One small bay mare, about 1½  
years high, white in face, one hind foot  
white, large scar on one side, branded J-O on  
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